

RM-10620 is absurd, why would anyone think of just upgrading an Amateurs' operating privileges on the basis of 20 years of Amateur Radio Service.

If an Amateur Radio Operator wants to be considered for license upgrade they should want to study the pool questions and or Morse code on their own and take and pass the FCC test, what could be simpler? These tests are not that hard with a little studying and effort on the part of the applicant. (I forgot today people don't want to work for anything, they want everything handed to them on a silver platter, listen up America life is not handed out to anyone on a silver platter, if you want something or to be something in this life your going to have to put some effort in it and work for it, it's that simple.)

If a Novice class Amateur Operator is upgraded to Technician and never opens a book or takes an exam on safety and procedures at those frequencies how can this person safely operate if he or she does not know all the safety precautions and operating procedures. The test that I had for the Technician exam dealt with a lot of safety issues and correct operating procedures.

Long ago Amateurs Operators built their own equipment and knew what they were doing, today we are forgetting what Amateur Radio was like along time ago, now most Amateurs are appliance users. They buy their equipment in a hurry and get on the air in a hurry. For all the Amateurs who still build their own equipment I commend you for your efforts in the tradition of Amateur Radio.

I dislike hearing all the potty mouth trash talking Amateurs on 10 meters and 2 meters here in Central Florida, and in Western North Carolina when I lived there. Is this what we all want the Amateur Radio Service to become another 27 Mhz. 11 Meter C.B. Band ? I DON'T think so ! We need to STOP giving away licenses.

For the reasons stated above, I recommend that RM-10620 be denied and thrown in the trash.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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